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REMARKS

Claims 1-5 remain pending in this application.

Claims 1-5 were amended. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed with this application on January 13, 2006. The Information Disclosure Statement was re-submitted on November 28, 2006 with a copy of the cited WO document. Notification of receipt of these Information Disclosure Statements and consideration of the documents cited therein are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In view of the foregoing amendments, the issued raised by the Examiner have been addressed. It is submitted that the claims should particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the present invention. As such, it is requested that the 35 USC 112 rejection now be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Claims 1 and 4 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Hytonen, US Patent 5,529,193. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 2 and 3 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Hytonen. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

It is noted that claim 5 has not been rejected by the prior art of record. Since the 112 rejection should now be overcome, at least this claim 5 should be in condition for allowance. If, however, the Examiner is to give a new rejection wherein claim 5 were rejected, it is submitted that it would be improper to make this next rejection final.

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Nonetheless, such a rejection is not anticipated since the present application should be in condition for allowance.

In particular, independent claim 1 should be in condition for allowance. The present invention discloses a method where all stored sequence parts (delayed or not) are performed in one and only program round. In the invention, these sequence parts can be divided or performed on several program rounds as defined in the last paragraph of claim 1. This is not obvious nor disclosed by the Hytonen patent. The present application discussed on page 4, paragraph [0014], a short description of the old method, whereas the following paragraphs [0015] discloses features of the invention, for example. It is respectfully submitted that the claimed method for controlling a crane is different from the utilized prior art and as such, the 35 USC 102(b) and 103 rejections should now be reconsidered and withdrawn.

All claims in the present application should be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), the Applicant respectfully petitions for a two (2) month extension of time for filing a response in connection with the present application. A PTO-2038 form providing the necessary fee of \$460.00 is attached.

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Applicant has made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Joe McKinney Muncy, Applicants' Attorney, at 703.621.7140 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

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